Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 75-85 are pending in the application, with claims 75 and 78 being the independent claims. The amendments to claims 81 and 82 are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Objection to the Specification

The Specification was objected to because the status of the parent application needs to be updated. The status has been updated in the amendment above. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the objection be withdrawn.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 81 and 82 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claims have been amended to remove the rejected language. Accordingly, the claims are fully supported by the specification. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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